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got a call from a person who has worked in mental health for over 20 years, and he explained to me that when a person is on the verge of being committed involuntarily, he or she is given the opportunity to accept a voluntary committal. This is done in order to save paperwork for the regional centers and other facilities, and the sweetener for the individual is the fact that if it's a voluntary admission or committal, that person can walk away whenever he or she chooses. So you have some people who are ill enough to be committed against their will, but they choose to do it voluntarily. So the fact that the word "voluntarily" is attached does not mean we're dealing with somebody with a less serious problem. The underlying difficulty is what we need to look at. There are people who, as many of you know who have followed the realm of mental health, who if they take their medication will be able to function very, very well. But if they stop taking it, and we had an example of a former football player for Nebraska, Scott Baldwin, then other things assert themselves, take over, and the person's conduct can become bizarre, to say the least. So instead of the Legislature being so eager to expand the universe of people who can get permits to carry these guns, we ought to be narrowing it. Since we're in the area of mental health and alcoholism, and we know the problems that people afflicted by these illness can have, there is no reason to accept Senator Schellpeper's amendment. I can understand the gun industry wanting to have as many people as possible in a position to purchase guns. If we were talking about any other subject, any other commodity, the economic factor, the profit motive would never be so completely camouflaged and disguised and left out of the equation as is done when we talk about these guns. The NRA, Senator Schellpeper, Senator Hudkins, Senator Tyson, I just saw him looking up, and I know he's an expert with a pistol, so I know that he'll understand what I'm saying, know that you can pay a pretty penny for some of these weapons. When you get past the Saturday night special, as it's called, you can really spend some money. The gun industry, and by that I'm not just talking about short guns, concealable weapons, all of them, they are interested in selling a product. How can they sell a product? By making sure that the market remains stable and expands.

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.